

# ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A recording head cartridge is mounted on a carriage scanning in a forward direction and in a backward direction along the width direction of a recording medium. The fan of an ink mist collecting section produces an airflow and collects ink mist generated when ink is discharged. When the carriage scans in the forward direction, an image is formed and the fan is not operated and when the carriage scans in the backward direction, the image is not formed and the fan is operated to collect the ink mist.